St. Vincent's College 201 Morgan Oak Street Cape Girardeau Cape Girardeau County Missouri

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Location: Missouri 201 Morgan Oak Street, Cape Girardeau, Cape Girardeau County,

HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL INFORMATION

The following information was recorded by Alexander Piaget and Charles van Ravenswaay at the time the photograph was taken:

Central portion built 1843, the southern wing added in 1863 and the chapel and auditorium in 1871. On the night of January 4, 1848, the steamer <u>Seabird</u>, tied up at the river bank near the college with a cargo of powder, caught fire and exploded, greatly damaging the college buildings. In 1850 they were again injured by a tornado.

PROJECT INFORMATION

The Piaget-van Ravenswaay Survey consists of a number of photographs, primarily of sites and structures in Missouri, which were taken before 1938 by Alexander Piaget and after that by Paul Piaget, both in conjunction with Charles van Ravenswaay. Photographs of buildings were incorporated into the HABS collection in 1985 by Laura Rupp, HABS historian. A master list is available in the American records for MO-1800.